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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1746

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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CLEANING A MILK LINE SYSTEM

Docket No.: 8553/114a

AMENDMENT

To the Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action of January 5, 2004. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which commences on page 2 of this Amendment, including the cancellation of certain claims without prejudice and the addition of new claims.

Remarks commence on page 6 of this Amendment.